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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takayuki MAEHARA, et al.

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Examiner: LYONS, MICHAEL A

For: MEASUREMENT METHOD BY OTDR AND TERMINAL STATION APPARATUS

**COMMUNICATION REGARDING INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS) TIMELY
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Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the references of the IDS filed January 18, 2007 - - which was after the mailing of the Notice of Allowance herein on January 10, 2007 but before payment of an Issue Fee herein (which to date has not been paid).

Applicant's counsel left a voicemail message with Examiner Lyons requesting consideration of the referenced IDS as of the morning of February 2, 2007 and requested that the Examiner call the undersigned counsel of record to acknowledge this request, now confirmed by this communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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